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NOTE FOR THE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: Annual Report

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Delighted to have your own fresh Annual Report thoughts, which unfortunately did not arrive until this afternoon and after the attached revised full draft was completed for your weekend reading. We will indeed incorporate this new glimpse of your own feelings about the year. A quick scan suggests it can be the basis for a new front end, executive summary, Unclassified version, or all three.



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TO: DCI
FROM: George
SUBJECT: Annual Report *[Handwritten signature]*

REMARKS:

1. My intitial reaction to your new version is that I like it - for several reasons:

- where the original version swings from the very basic (missions of INR for example) to the esoteric (ELINT futures, etc) and is therefore uneven, yours aims directly at the President and the Congress and doesnt waste time on material they already know, ergo more readable.

- yours is much shorter & more cohesive

- ease of declassification of yours is such that virtually what you send the Congress can also be released to the public.

2. BUT - I would recommend you attach a classified appendix taking the following items from the original version. Reason: they are selling/educating pieces which do a good job of explaining some difficult issues which the President and the Congress will have to face in the coming year. The better they understand them, the greater chance of your getting favorable decisions.

To wit:

- OK* - Security and CounterIntel (pp39-44&95-110)
CK - Need for FOIA relief (pp51&52)

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~~OK~~ CIA Inspector General Activities (pp52-55)

~~OK~~ Covert Action (pp55-59)

~~OK~~ Future mix of technical collection
systems (pp 66-~~82~~)⁹⁰

~~OK~~ Quality of analysis and policy support
(pp~~83-95~~) ~~90-104~~

~~OK~~ ADP (pp 110-124)
~~104~~

3.I think these sections from the original
version can be severely edited both to shorten
them and to make them more readable. I'd also
like a crack at editing the whole thing when
you decide how you want it put together.

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1530 5th January

John,

This DCI to dictabelt set of thoughts on how he views 1978 in intelligence only just arrived (unfortunately dictated over the weekend, only transcribed yesterday and noone warned us it was coming!)

It's a highly useful direct tap into the DCI's own feelings about the year. It's a little too glossy in spots, a little inaccurate in others, and obviously hasn't been edited. But this thrust, and especially the new thoughts and nuances here that hadn't come through to me previously can be made into a new DCI Introduction, an Executive Summary, an Unclassified version, or all three.

Since a new draft for DCI reading was all but out the door en route to him when this hit, two possibilities:

Handwrite a PS on your note to him on the new full draft, perhaps something like: "Delighted to have your own fresh Annual Report thoughts, which unfortunately did not arrive until this afternoon and after the attached revised full draft was completed for your weekend reading. We will indeed incorporate this new glimpse of your own feelings about the year. A quick scan suggests it can be the basis for a new front end, executive summary, Unclassified version, or all three."

Or, I'll do some editing on DCI's copy (only) and give him his draft with a new front

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Choice between the two is when you
think he will have time to read.



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